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POSITIVE ELECTRODE PLATE FOR ALKALINE STORAGE BATTERY

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## Dear Commissioner:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a 2month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed August 10, 2004, said period of response being extended from November 10, 2004 to January 10, 2005.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 13-2725 in the amount of \$450.00 to cover the required extension fee for a large entity. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2725.

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